

Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand ranged fair to good; best where media promotions were in progress. Wings and tenders were in good balance and clearing. Breast items were fully sufficient. Other items were generally in good balance. Weights were in a full range but mostly desirable.

Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: Aug 16, 2003

FOOD SERVICE/

	<u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 – 5.25	5.26 & Up	----
Total (000)	21,598	26,338	44,638	92,574
Percentage	23%	28%	48%	99%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weights</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weights</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	2,334	2.52
3.61 – 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. – 2 lbs., 10 oz.	7,114	7.68
3.81 – 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	8,439	9.12
4.01 – 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	<u>3,711</u>	<u>4.01</u>
		21,598	23.33

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chicks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%**
Jun 28	203,443	100	172,154	100	208,943	99	170,902	99	165,296	103
Jul 05	204,600	99	171,348	99	207,776	99	171,046	100	143,589	87
Jul 12	205,198	98	169,360	100	209,181	100	171,454	100	159,849	111
Jul 19	206,346	99	165,293	99	206,745	98	169,527	98	157,206	98
Jul 26	206,521	99	167,532	100	210,122	98	171,915	99	157,247	100
Aug 02	206,486	99	167,227	98	211,058	99	173,204	100	159,246	101
Aug 09	207,339	101	169,877	101	210,051	99	172,610	100	160,883	101
Aug 16	205,238	100	169,222	101	211,029	99	172,264	100	161,757	101
Aug 23	205,977	101	168,436	100	209,402	99	171,412	99	160,560	99

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
Week of 09/01/03				
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed _____	57 – 60	57.48	57.64	48.50
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed _____	54 – 57	57.19	56.88	47.96
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed _____	74	72.17	71.94	66.54
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		64.18	63.31	56.19
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 69.00)		66.94	66.79	62.71
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		55.68	55.96	42.91

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast (Delivered)	Southern States (FOB)	Georgia (FOB)
Weekly Weighted Average	08/29/03	08/29/03	09/01/03
Breast – B/S	179.75	172.36	202.50
Thenderloins	151.79	168.28	205.00 (Line run)
Breast – Line Run	86.26	95.41	103.50 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	28.91	26.94	32.50
Wings	72.90	77.91	79.50